



**SAN FRANCISCO  
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## San Francisco Discover Fact Sheet

San Francisco Discover is an English language and culture program that uses the city of San Francisco as its classroom. The program combines language study at the beautiful San Francisco State University Downtown Campus with excursions throughout the city's colorful and exciting neighborhoods. Students will improve English skills while learning how San Francisco has become a global center of entrepreneurship and innovation. They will have the opportunity to explore the arts, business, culture and technology of the city as they practice their English skills with locals from a variety of backgrounds.

Requirements to participate: Students must be 18 years old or a high school graduate. There is no English requirement.

Program Fee: \$1900 for 4 weeks

### Included in the program:

- 15 hours a week of classes and visits around San Francisco
- Visits to a variety of San Francisco neighborhoods, landmarks, businesses and local universities (includes entry fees and transportation costs)
- Activities such as the San Francisco Bay Cruise, a local professional baseball or basketball game
- All class materials
- A monthly San Francisco public transportation pass

### Session dates:

This summer we will offer 2 sessions of SF Discover program:

- Session 1 runs from July 16 to August 10.
- Session 2 runs from August 13 to September 7.
- Custom versions of the program (with different dates) can be arranged for groups of 15 or more.

Visa Type: No F-1 sponsorship required. Students with many types of visas and immigration statuses may participate in SF Discover, including those on visa waiver or B1/B2.

*After being accepted you will need to purchase an appropriate insurance policy to cover you while you are in the U.S. Program staff can provide guidance to evaluate appropriateness of policy.*

Hours of class: 15 hours/week. Classes typically run from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., but this schedule could potentially be adjusted for a custom cohort-based custom program.

How to apply: Online application <https://ali.sfsu.edu/sfdiscover/discover-application>

### Method of payment:

- Full payment is due 1 month in advance of the program.
- Credit card is the preferred method for international payment (additional 2.75% fee will apply)
- If in country, you can pay by cash, personal check, money order, or cashier's check at Bursar's Office
- We do not accept cash payment or personal checks internationally

## Housing Options

### On-campus housing\*:

*Cost of 2 bedroom shared apartment with kitchenette, living room, and dining area\*\**

- Shared room and 7-day meal plan: **\$427 a week per person**
- Shared room and 5-day meal plan: **\$412 a week per person**
- Additionally, a \$100 refundable security deposit, a \$15 non-refundable activity fee, and a \$30 non-refundable application fee are added.

\*On campus housing available only for Session 1.

\*\*If your institution sends a group of students, other room types and rates may be available through Conference Services.

### *How to reserve on-campus housing:*

#### **Individual students:**

After getting admitted to the program, apply through website:

<https://housing.sfsu.edu/content/summer-housing>

#### **University groups:**

University groups may contact Sandra Arriaga (sarriaga@sfsu.edu) to be connected with Conference Services to discuss other room types and rates.

### Private Dormitory in the city center:

<http://www.kenmorehotelsf.com/>

Rates vary from \$1120 - \$1980/month and include 13 meals per week.

Current rate and booking information available here: <http://www.kenmorehotelsf.com/rates.html>

\*When contacting The Kenmore, please note in your e-mail that you are a San Francisco State University student coming for the SF Discover program and send a copy of the email (via CC) to sarriaga@sfsu.edu.

### Homestays:

Information about local homestay providers is available at <https://housing.sfsu.edu/content/campus-resources>

### For more information, contact:

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